

**Remarks**

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated April 4, 2005. Claims 14 and 28 have been cancelled herein, without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Claims 1 to 13, 15 to 27, and 29 to 36 remain in the application, of which Claims 13, 15, 19, 26, 27, 29, and 32 to 36 have been amended, and Claims 1, 13, 21, 24, 27, 32, and 34 to 36 are the independent claims herein. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Claims 19, 26, 32, 34, 36, which were objected to for various alleged informalities, have each been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Furthermore, Claims 13, and 32 to 34 have been amended, *sua sponte*, to correct minor editorial errors. Withdrawal of the objections and further examination of the claims is respectfully requested.

The Examiner's indication that Claims 1 to 12, and 21 to 25 are allowed, and that Claims 14 to 17, 26, 28 to 34 and 36 contain allowable subject matter is acknowledged with appreciation. In this regard, the substance of allowable Claims 14, 28 and 36 has been incorporated into their respective claims, namely independent Claims 13, 27 and 35. As such, the entire application is in condition for allowance and issuance of a Notice Of Allowance is respectfully requested.

It is believed that the entire application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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